

US Route 30
Illinois Route 47 to Illinois Route 31
Kane and Kendall Counties



MEETING SUMMARY

Community Advisory Group (CAG) Meeting No. 1
November 1, 2012

The first CAG meeting of the US 30 Study from IL 47 to IL 31 was held at 9:30 a.m. in the community room at the Montgomery, Illinois, Police Station. A summary of the information presented and meeting discussions is included below.

General Session

Libby Braband from CH2M HILL introduced the team members and defined the roles and responsibilities of the CAG. The CAG then agreed unanimously to the CAG ground rules, which are:

1. Input on the project from all stakeholders is duly considered in order to yield the best solutions to problems identified by the process.
2. Input from all participants in the process is valued and considered.
3. The list of stakeholders is subject to revisions/additions at any time as events warrant.
4. All participants must keep an open mind and participate openly, honestly, and respectfully.
5. All participants should work collaboratively and cooperatively to provide input toward developing a solution
6. All participants in the process must treat each other with respect and dignity.
7. The project must progress at a reasonable pace, based on the project schedule.
8. CAG members should commit to attend all CAG meetings.
9. Members of the media and general public are welcome in all stakeholder meetings, but must remain in the role of observers, not participants in the process.
10. Final project decisions will be made by IDOT and FHWA. Input is sought from CAG members prior to major milestone decisions.

Libby then provided a project overview, an overview of the first project public meeting, and discussed IDOT's CSS policy. Dan Draper then provided an overview of the transportation issues identified to date, including safety and traffic volumes/congestion.

Workshop

At that point, the CAG members were invited to help identify key transportation issues & concerns by writing their concerns on Post-It notes and applying it to the "Concern Wall." The following concerns and suggestions were identified by the CAG membership:

- The horizontal curve west of IL 31
- Eliminate the characteristics that encourage drag racing
- Lack of shoulders
- Drop-off at shoulders cause crashes
- Travel speeds are too high
- Insufficient lighting between IL 31 and Orchard Road
- Only one entrance to the subdivisions at Gordon Road
- Turning delays at Orchard Road
- Access to Stuart Sports Complex
- Turn lanes/access issues
- Blackberry subdivision only access point at US 30

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- Minor drainage concerns – various locations
- US 30 creates dam – flooding ¼ mile east of Orchard Road.
- Congestions – particularly at US 30 and Orchard Road
- Pedestrians crossing US 30 near Walmart
- Pedestrian access and need for crossing in general
- A pedestrian crossing (underpass/overpass) is being considered across US 30 east of ComEd
- Protection of Village utilities
- The NE corner of Orchard Road is being developed and will be requesting a right-in, right-out along US 30.
- Railroad drainage restrictions near IL 31
- Consider near term improvements to address more immediate concerns (shoulders)
- Traffic projections seem high

Based on these issues the group began to frame out a problem statement:

The issues this project will address...

- Safe and efficient solution to meet needs of drivers and pedestrians
- Project corridor that considers the needs and safety of all users
- Solution that reduces flooding and the impact on the environment
- Solution that addresses the current and future travel demands in the corridor

The meeting then closed with agreement to meet again in early 2013 at the same time and location to discuss progress on the Purpose & Need and to provide input on the alternatives development process.

Attachments:

- Sign-in Sheet
- Meeting Materials

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